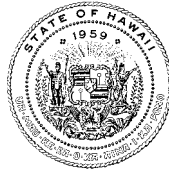


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STBIAB Meeting
July 21, 2006

Present: Pat Heu, MD, Hal Kahikina, Elzy Kaina, Rita Manriquez, Bill Rodrigues,
Robert Sloan, MD, Lee Taylor, Kawena Young

Absent: Mary Isley, Malexi McPhee, Tammy Tom (excused)

Others: Emi Isaki, PhD (University of Hawaii), Laura Rosas (PBRRTC), Tanya Schwartz,
PhD (Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific [RHOP]), Bess Tanabe (DOE),
Catherine Taylor (Family Member)

DOH Staff: Aaron Arakaki, Ken Fukuhara, Lester Matsumoto, Cindy Yamamoto

- I. Call to Order –
Meeting called to order by Chair, Elzy Kaina, at 9:29 am.
- II. Approval of the March meeting minutes –
No changes made to the March 17, 2006 minutes and approved.

Changes to the May 19, 2006 minutes – on page 3 replace the last line in the first paragraph (A TBI Mentoring Grant is in development but no contract in place as of this date) with *HRSA funded a TBI Implementation Grant in April 2006 to be used to develop a TBI Mentoring Project. A contract to begin this project is not in place.* On page 3 under Announcements replace the second item (Laura Rosas will be promoting the Peer Mentoring Project on Neighbor Islands) with *Peer Mentoring Project to be promoted on Neighbor Islands.*

- III. Review of the Agenda –
No changes to the Agenda.
- IV. New Business
 - A. Cognitive Rehabilitation of Mild Brain Injury Presentation by Dr. Tanya Schwartz and Dr. Emi Isaki

This project was previously under Dr. Rossi who is no longer part of the Research Department at RHOP. It has been rewritten by Dr. Schwartz to train families on what is currently being done for which a manual will be devised. The approach taken will be cheaper, do-able and addresses transportation problems. It involves 10 mild to moderate TBI patients who can consent with identified primary caregiver. There will be a neuropsychological screening with functional scores and cognitive/language assessment by speech language pathologists (SLPs). Specific areas will be targeted through outpatient therapy at the UH Speech Pathology and Hearing Clinic.

The control group will receive the usual twice a week therapy at the Lab, while the study group will have the home training. There will be final assessment after 16 weeks. A questionnaire to the patients and their family will assess 1) memory function, 2) executive function (i.e., planning, organizing, etc.) and 3) social decorum and on what areas to work on.

Emi reported there is a lack of continuity of care, services stop when the insurance runs out. Work need to continue 5 years down the road. Elzy said OT and PT are usually covered for 4-6 weeks. Less expensive due to lack of insurance coverage. There was a question of cost and it will be of no costs to the patients and manuals will be created to train families.

This is a clinical research study involving graduate SLP students, be Oahu based and for adults who willing to cooperate. It will not have statistical significance because of the small sample. Per Elzy RHOP patients tend to be from the Neighbor Islands, and aged. From the 120 patients admitted it will be difficult to get study subjects who are mild to moderate. RHOP usually does not get those who are mild.

Laura mentioned in Texas cognitive behavior home training is done through video conferencing. She will provide some information on the social aspect addressing social interaction skills.

Gender will not be a concern and the study will include whomever. Patients cannot be home bound or receiving services the duplicate the study's. Discharge workers to assist in identifying the subjects.

Bill said the transition from RHOP to the UH Speech was very helpful for him. Hopefully this study will lead to other research possibilities and additional resources. At least it will produce some students who have experience with TBI.

B. Confirmation of Vice-Chair, Secretary and New Members

Tammy Tom is the Vice-Chair and Malexi McPhee is the Secretary. But due to Malexi's poor attendance and we need to consider a new Secretary. Lee will volunteer if he could step down as the Subcommittee Chair. Unanimously approved. Dr. Heu requests to transfer her membership to someone else in her branch, next year

when your appointment letter is mailed, we state to you or your designate. At that time you may let us know who will be your replacement.

Bill will replace Douglas as TBI survivor representative, Linda Price (DOE on the Big Island) will replace Kelly, and Dr. Ho will place Dr. O'Callaghan as the Trauma Center representative. Rita has agreed to continue as a member and will be extended to 1/10. Dr. Sloan also agreed and his term will be extended until 6/08.

C. Overview of 2005/2006 STBIAB Accomplishments

Review of 2005/2006 STBIAB Goals/Priorities

Handout on the Accomplishments passed out and members were asked if we missed anything.

There was discussion on some of the past goals and priorities –

1. Waiver for direct services – SB2727 which included a TBI waiver using NT Special Fund money for a federal match was veto'd by the Governor. To explore other States on what services are included, the costs and how they do it.
2. Decrease in calls to the Helpline – mostly needing info on housing and resources. Referrals come from the NT brochure, other agencies and word of mouth. The number is entered a Frequently Number with the State Agencies in the telephone directory and with the 211 directory.
3. Need to do outreach on the Neighbor Islands, a PSA campaign with the media and reproduce the brochure in different languages. Such as in Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Vietnamese, Spanish, and Korean.
At the Neurotrauma Conference, all the products advertised the Helpline number, but people do not understand the "Neurotrauma," we must better define this term; so they will understand the definition and call the helpline as needed.
4. Legislation; HB 1899 Use of Safety Helmets by Minors riding mopeds Passed. SB 427 strengthens child safety seat law by requiring child safety seat for children over four years, but less than eight years old; define "restrained," Passed. SB 2727 would require money in the neurotrauma special fund to be used to assist individuals with TBI was veto.
5. The Implementation Grant, there no longer a requirement for a cash match. We do an in kind match, utilizing staff salaries for the match. For the past three years the grant was \$200,000 starting this year it was reduced to \$100,000. Based on your State Action Plan you can come up with different activities to use these funds.

D. STBIAB Goals and Objectives for 2006/2007

Handout on the NTAB Goals and Objectives for member to review what the other Board would be working on. (See attachment)

Members then worked on what would be the Board's priorities for the upcoming year. And each was individually asked what they would like the Board to address. (See attachment)

V. Update of TBI Implementation Grant

Per Laura the Final Evaluation Report of the TBI Implementation Grant will be distributed to all members.

Video – Life Goes on After TBI was viewed during the lunch break. It was screened at the BIA-HI Support Group meeting this month. A presentation to be done with the Director of Health and then to the Governor. It will be shown via closed circuit TV at RHOP and Queen's Medical Center. And it is to part of a training packet curriculum.

VI. Old Business

A. Neurotrauma Conference Evaluation

Tammy to do the formal report on the evaluation forms. A summary of the Overall Evaluation on the topics, speakers, exhibitors and information and assistance scored mostly *Strongly Agree/Agree*. Consider another possible NT Conference in 2008.

B. Department of Health Update

Staff is involved in the Injury Prevention Plan for 2010. The Falls Consortium divided up into 3 subgroups – 1) to develop an inventory of agencies that are involved in falls prevention; 2) to devise a resource book; and 3) to create a screening kit for pharmacists and primary care physicians. A Falls Prevention Conference is being planned for 2007. Efforts are targeting the elderly. Question of why wait 2 years between conferences. Need immediate follow-up from the last one and continue contact with others. The answer was that the Falls Consortium was meant to continue the momentum from the Conference to follow-up on some activities.

In the works is a Project with Queen's Medical Center to follow some patients discharged with severe TBI.

C. Neighbor Island TBI Activities

None to speak of from Lee or Rita.

VII. Announcements

A. DOH to contract with PBRRTC on a Peer Mentoring Project.

B. A Memory Walk sponsored the Alzheimer's' Association is set for Sept. 9 at 7am.

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- C. Heart Walk sponsored by American Heart Association is set for August 12 at Kapiolani Park. RHOP and NT will have an information booth.
- D. "I Love Liliha" event to be held on August 26 and Think First and NT will be passing out bicycle helmets.
- E. Seniors Fair to be held the Neal Blaisdell Exhibition Hall September 22-24.
- F. Children and Youth Day to be held on October at the grounds of the State Capitol.
- G. Cancer/TBI Workshop put on by the DOE will be held on October 17. Bess will circulate more information.

VIII. Next Meeting
September 15, 2006
1:30 to 4:00 pm
Capitol Center VCC and NI sites

Recorded by: Lester Matsumoto